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1. Information has been received which indicates that the recently elected directorate of Workers' Syndicate of the Huachipato steel plant near Concepcion, Chile, is dominated by the Communist Party of Chile. The members of the directorate and their political affiliations are as follows:

Publio Mariangel Borquez	Officially Communist although a member of the leftist Democratico del Pueblo Party.
Hugo Sanchez Sanhueza	Communist
Miguel Prudenias Ramirez	Socialist
Alberto Ahumada Barahona	Communist
Gelberto Munoz Valdebenito	Radical

2. In the construction and operation of the Huachipato plant it was necessary to bring a large number of technicians from Northern Chile to work at Huachipato. The Communist affiliation of these technicians, particularly the electricians, is reported to be very strong. In Socialist circles it is reported that the Communists control from 60 to 70 per cent of Huachipato workers.

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